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BRITISH WEST INDIES.

Yellow fever at Saint Lucia and Barbados.

TRINIDAD, BRITISH WEST INDIES, *December 9, 1901.*

SIR: I beg respectfully to report for the information of the Department of State the prevalence of yellow fever at the island of Saint Lucia, and that the islands of Antigua, Barbados, St. Vincent, St. Kitts, St. Thomas, and Trinidad have declared quarantine against the said island.

Respectfully, ALVIN SMITH,
United States Consul.

Hon. ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE.

TRINIDAD, BRITISH WEST INDIES, *December 13, 1901.*

SIR: I beg respectfully to report for the information of the Department of State the reported prevalence of yellow fever at the island of Barbados, British West Indies.

Respectfully, ALVIN SMITH,
United States Consul.

Hon. ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE.

CHINA.

Report from Hongkong.

HONGKONG, CHINA, *November 25, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith the abstract of bills of health issued at this station during the week ended November 23, 1901.

Eleven vessels were inspected during the week, 574 individuals were bathed, and 610 bundles of clothing and bedding were disinfected by steam.

Twenty piculs of human hair were inspected and held, to complete thirty days since the last possible exposure. There were 3 rejections because of fever. The health of the colony remains good, no cases of quarantinable disease having been reported.

Two cases of enteric fever and 2 deaths, and 1 case of diphtheria were reported to the sanitary authorities.

Respectfully, JOHN W. KERR,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

CUBA.

Reports from Cienfuegos, Casilda, and Santa Cruz del Sur.

CIENFUEGOS, CUBA, *December 23, 1901.*

SIR: Through the chief quarantine officer for the island of Cuba, I have the honor to transmit the following report of transactions in the district under my command for the week ended December 21, 1901:

Twenty-two deaths have occurred in this city; of these, 9 occurred in the civil hospital. Causes of death were as follows: Tuberculosis, 7; nephritis, 3; sclerosis (arterial), 2; heart disease, 2; embolism, 1; pneumonia, 1; mitral insufficiency, 1; paludism, 1; erysipelas, 1; cachexia, 1; endocarditis, 1; diarrhea (chronic), 1. Death rate per 1,000 inhabitants, 28.68. A sudden change of temperature has been experienced here during the last three days, the thermometer falling to 60° F. on the night of December 21; north winds, accompanied by rain occasionally,

prevailing. Twelve vessels were inspected and passed and granted pratique; 3 vessels admitted without inspection; 19 bills of health issued vessels leaving this port, and 47 alien steerage passengers were inspected, passed, and allowed to land.

Casilda.—Acting Asst. Surg. A. Cantero reports 5 deaths in the city of Trinidad. No contagious diseases reported. Eleven vessels were inspected, passed, and granted pratique; 13 bills of health issued vessels leaving the port of Casilda, and no alien steerage passengers landed at that port.

Santa Cruz del Sur.—Acting Asst. Surg. P. M. Quevedo reports 1 death at that port for week ended December 14, 1901. No contagious diseases reported in that vicinity. Seven vessels inspected and passed, and granted pratique; 5 bills of health issued vessels leaving that port, and no alien steerage passengers landed at that port.

Respectfully, E. F. NUNEZ,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

CIENFUEGOS, CUBA, *December 30, 1901.*

SIR: Through the chief quarantine officer for the island of Cuba, I have the honor to transmit the following report of the transactions in the district under my command for the week ended December 28, 1901:

Twelve deaths have occurred in this city; of these, 4 occurred in the civil hospital. Causes of death were as follows: Tuberculosis, 3; nephritis, 2; tetanus, infantile, 2; paludism, 1; remittent fever, 1; cirrhosis of liver, 1; pleurisy, 1; mitral insufficiency, 1. Death rate per 1,000 inhabitants, 15.64. Ten vessels inspected and passed, granted pratique; 3 vessels were admitted without inspection; 1 vessel (gunboat *Yankton*) was boarded and passed; 18 bills of health were issued vessels leaving Cienfuegos, and 1 alien steerage passenger was inspected and allowed to land.

Casilda.—Acting Asst. Surg. A. Cantero reports 6 deaths in the city of Trinidad. No contagious diseases reported. Eleven vessels were inspected and passed and granted pratique; 11 bills of health issued vessels leaving Casilda, and no alien steerage passengers landed at that port.

Santa Cruz del Sur.—Acting Asst. Surg. P. M. Quevedo, reports 1 death at that port during the week ended December 21, 1901. Six vessels were inspected and passed and granted pratique; 7 bills of health were issued to vessels leaving Santa Cruz del Sur, and no alien steerage passengers were landed at that port.

Respectfully, E. F. NUNEZ,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Inspection of immigrants at Cienfuegos for the week ended December 28, 1901.

CIENFUEGOS, CUBA, *December 30, 1901.*

SIR: I herewith submit report of alien steerage passengers at this port during the week ended December 28, 1901. December 28, steamship *Veritas*, from Puerto Cabello, with 1 immigrant.

Respectfully, E. F. NUNEZ,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
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